

rial Day as a day of prayer for permanent peace and designating a period on that day when the American people might unite in prayer.

Now, Therefore, I, William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Memorial Day, May 26, 1997, as a day of prayer for permanent peace, and I designate the hour beginning in each locality at 11:00 a.m. of that day as a time to join in prayer. I urge the press, radio, television, and all other information media to take part in this observance.

I also request the Governors of the United States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the appropriate officials of all units of government, to direct that the flag be flown at half-staff during this Memorial Day on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels throughout the United States and in all areas under its jurisdiction and control, and I request the people of the United States to display the flag at half-staff from their homes for the customary forenoon period.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-second day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-first.

William J. Clinton

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Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

May 18

In the morning, the President traveled to Baltimore, MD, and he returned to Washington, DC, in the evening.

May 19

The President announced his intention to nominate Catherine Woteki for Under Secretary for Food Safety at the Department of Agriculture.

The President announced his intention to nominate Shirley Robinson Watkins to be Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services at the Department of Agriculture.

May 20

The President announced his intention to nominate David J. Scheffer as Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues at the State Department.

The President announced his intention to nominate James W. Pardew as U.S. Representative for Military Stabilization in the Balkans with the rank of Ambassador at the State Department.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ambassador Peter Burleigh as Deputy Representative of the U.S. to the United Nations with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

May 21

The President announced his intention to nominate John Christian Kornblum as Ambassador to Germany.

The President announced his intention to nominate Marc Grossman as the Assistant Secretary for European and Canadian Affairs.

May 22

In the morning, the President traveled to Clarksburg, WV, and he returned to Washington, DC, in the evening.

The President announced his intention to nominate David R. Andrews as Legal Adviser at the State Department.

The President announced his intention to nominate Stephen R. Sestanovich as Ambassador at Large and Special Adviser to the Secretary of State on the New Independent States at the State Department.

May 23

The President announced his intention to nominate James Phillip Rubin as Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs at the State Department.

The President announced the nomination of Stanley Owen Roth as Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs at the State Department.

The President announced the nomination of Kenneth S. Apfel to serve as Commissioner of the Social Security Administration.

The White House announced that the President has named Anne Luzzatto as Deputy Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs and National Security Council Senior Director for Public Affairs and that Joseph P. Lockhart will replace Mary Ellen Glynn as Deputy Press Secretary.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted May 19

William P. Greene, Jr.,
of West Virginia, to be an Associate Judge of the United States Court of Veterans Appeals for the term of 15 years, vice Hart T. Mankin, deceased.

Submitted May 20

A. Peter Burleigh,
of California, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, vice Edward William Gnehm, Jr.

James W. Pardew, Jr.,
of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Special Representative for Military Stabilization in the Balkans.

Submitted May 22

Kenneth S. Apfel,
of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2001 (new position).

Marc Grossman,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, vice John Christian Kornblum.

John Christian Kornblum,
of Michigan, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Germany, vice Charles E. Redman.

Stanley O. Roth,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, vice Winston Lord.

David J. Scheffer,
of Virginia, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues.

Submitted May 23

James P. Rubin,
of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, vice Thomas E. Donilon.

Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of 5 years from July 1, 1995, vice Andrew Camp Barrett, resigned.

William E. Kennard,
of California, to be a member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of 5 years from July 1, 1996, vice James H. Quello, term expired.

Paul Simon,
of Illinois, to be a member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring September 22, 1998, vice Sharon Darling, term expired.